PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of: JAMES ROY EASTER	**Group Art Unit:** 2615
Serial No.: 10/678,959	**Examiner:** Pendleton, Dionne
Filed: 10/02/2003	
Attorney Docket No.: 45568-00476	**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**
Confirmation No.: 7285	
Title: RETENTION APPARATUS FOR AN EXTERNAL PORTION OF A SEMI-IMPLANTABLE HEARING AID	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of April 24, 2007.

The Applicant will pay the amount of $60.00 at time of filing through an EFT Account as payment for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the period for response from July 24, 2007 to August 24, 2007.

Also, please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.